

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION.

VOLUME XIV.

THE CLOSING RANKS.

THE FINAL RETURNS COMING IN FROM THE COUNTIES.

How the Columns Begin to Figure Up—Returns and Opinions from Various Sources—The Instructions in Several Counties Explained.

The Conduct of the Canvass.

Our table of returns is almost complete and will probably be closed up to-night. Chatman county is the only constituency that has not held its primary and considerable interest is manifested in its action. It will have a mass-meeting to-night, and it is understood that regular Boynton and Bacon tickets of delegates will be offered. With some slight change made by new returns on yesterday, our table stands as it did when we last went to press. In to-morrow's CONSTITUTION we hope to be able to make a complete showing.

THE NEWS FROM SOUTHWEST GEORGIA.

Special to the Constitution.

ATLANTA, April 5.—At a meeting of the people of Webster county on Tuesday, W. P. Jowers and J. W. May were elected delegates and J. R. Stapleton and W. F. Spann alternates. They are uninstructed, but will vote for Cook first choice and I understand Boynton second.

It is said here that Stewart is for Cook with Bacon for second choice, but there is no definite news.

Schley county just heard from. The delegates go uninstructed, but are known to be for Cook. The delegates are H. H. Singletary, and W. D. Murray. Alternates C. A. Taylor and C. L. Battle.

From prominent people of Dooly, I learn that that county's delegation will vote for Cook after they have discharged their obligations to Bacon.

The action of "Civis" in the Telegraph is not giving General Cook credit for votes that the Telegraph's own dispatches showed he had, has caused a great deal of comment here.

THREE RELATED COUNTIES.

Special to the Constitution.

SAVANNAH, April 5.—Camden, Coffee and Emanuel have not been heard from yet. Effingham is uninstructed and is claimed for both Boynton and Bacon.

ONE FOR BOYNTON, ONE FOR BACON.

TRADEK'S Hill, April 4.—Charlton sent three delegates, H. James Thompson and P. M. Cowson. They go uninstructed, the first a Bacon man and the last is Boynton.

MANUEL DIVIDES BOYNTON AND BACON.

Special to the Constitution.

SWAINSBORO, April 5.—Put Emanuel county down for Boynton and one for Bacon. There is no discount on this. The election took place to-day. The delegates are R. J. Eddington and Dr. J. N. Bowie; alternates, F. C. Camp and John L. McLemore.

BOYNTON BEATS BACON THREE TO ONE.

Special to the Constitution.

CUMMING, April 5.—In our meeting a square vote was taken between Boynton and Bacon, and the former carried things by over three to one. For-syth is for Boynton.

JONES ADVISES TO BACON.

Special to the Constitution.

APRIL 3, 1883.—The delegation from Jones county stands two for Bacon, and three for Boynton. The sentiments of the county is adverse to Colonel Bacon as a whole.

MORGAN VOTES DOWN CENSURE OF BOYNTON.

Special to the Constitution.

MADISON, April 5.—At the late convention in this county a resolution proposing to censure Boynton for the Bullock letters was voted down. I am satisfied this county is by two thirds vote for Boynton.

MARION REFUSES TO INSTRUCT FOR BACON.

BUENA VISTA, April 5.—Marion sends un-instructed, H. W. B. Butt and John W. Slaughter as delegates. He will vote for Bacon first; second choice McDaniel. Slaughter was not in town, but is for Bacon; second choice not known. A motion to instruct delegates to cast first vote for Bacon was lost, and its substitute to send uninstructed was carried.

BOYNTON SECOND CHOICE OF SUMTER.

Special to the Constitution.

AMERICUS, April 4.—At 11 a. m., Tuesday, the people of Sumter met in convention at the courthouse. An organization was effected by calling J. A. Black to the chair. The following delegates were chosen to represent Sumter in the Atlanta convention: Dupont Guerry, C. F. Crisp, A. S. Catts and B. P. Hollis. Alternates W. W. Hooks, R. E. Cobb, J. A. Cobb and H. H. Glover. Hon. C. F. Crisp, after being elected, took the chair as first choice, which were adopted. I understand that Boynton is second choice of this delegation.

AFTER COOK SCHLEY WILL DIVIDE.

WRIGHTSVILLE, April 5.—M. H. Mason and John F. Norris, are elected as delegates to represent Johnson county in the gubernatorial convention, with W. G. Sammons and A. F. Daley, as alternates. They go without instruction, but are known to be Boynton men, and were elected on that basis—being elected over a Bacon ticket before the convention. The delegate expresses himself openly for Boynton.

THE DELEGATES FROM WHITE.

Special to the Constitution.

NACOOCHIE, April 3.—The democracy of White held their convention at Cleveland to-day and selected delegates with instructions to vote for Boynton.

OLD WALKER TWO TO ONE FOR BOYNTON.

VILLANOWA, April 5.—After a heated contest Walker county goes for Boynton over two to one. The fight for Bacon was heavy, but old Walker is solid for Boynton. Delegates: J. M. Lee and R. W. Glenn.

Who Shall be Governor?

From the Sunter Republican.

Editorial Report: Without disparaging the just claims of others, I wish to second, with my cordial approval, your suggestion of General Cook for the gubernatorial office. He is well versed in public affairs, and to the sternest integrity unites those quantities most necessary to a successful administration, firmness of purpose, a high sense of justice, and great practical good sense. He is well known to the people of Georgia, and has served his country well and faithfully for many years, and on the battle field; for these reasons our people should delight to honor him. To ask, "Is he not a good man?" is not to inquire if he is a good man, but to inquire if he is a good governor. Should the convention see proper to nominate him, I shall have my earnest support; but I cannot appreciate the argument that, simply because he is not a good man, he is not the best man for the office.

Editorial Report: As Mr. Reece is not an announced candidate, we put Wilkes doubtful, and give McDuffie and Columbia to Boynton, who was elected on the basis of his record.

McINTYRE—McLINTYRE.

Editorial Report: Colquitt and Thomas (eight votes in all) have declared for McIntyre first, and Boynton second. As Mr. McIntyre is not an announced candidate, we have given these counts to Boynton.

CRAWFORD—TAYLOR.

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GEORGIA ON WIRE,
AND THE OUTLYING TOWNS
BRIEFLY PENCILED.

A Negro Kills His Brother—Surprised by a Marriage
Capture of Two Illicit Distillers—Darien's New
Fire Engine—A Broken Thigh—The
Weather and the Crops, Etc.

Special to The Constitution.
AUGUSTA, April 5.—Ex-Governor Charles J. Jenkins is very ill and much anxiety is expressed in regard to his condition.

MURDERED BY HIS BROTHER.

Ed Williams, colored, who was shot by his brother Harrington Williams yesterday, died to-day.

Jonesboro, Georgia.

A BROKEN THIGH.

Special to The Constitution.

JONESBORO, April 5.—Mr. Henry Crawford, of this place, had the misfortune yesterday evening to get his thigh broken. He was riding in his buggy near the railroad. His horse became frightened at the passing train and he jumped from his buggy, causing the above-named result. He was getting on tolerably well at last accounts.

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama.

A GEORGIAN MYSTERIOUSLY ROBBED.

BIRMINGHAM, April 6.—Dr. F. N. Pitts, of Covington, Georgia, who reached here Tuesday night coming for the purpose of going into business, has been the victim of a mysterious robbery. He left home a few days ago with a trunk containing \$4,000 in gold, \$300 in silver, three gold watches and six gold chains, all the property he owned. Everything went right until he arrived at Birmingham, and went to the Nixon house to his room. Not until then did he discover that the lock of the trunk had been pried open and all the contents of value taken from it.

Dallas, Georgia.

THE BRIDE AT HOME.

Special to The Constitution.
DALLAS, April 5.—Mr. S. N. Allen arrived here on the 3 o'clock train from Atlanta yesterday evening with his beautiful bride, who was formerly Miss Tennessee Caldwell, of Atlanta. Their sudden arrival was a surprise to the people of Dallas, but they with enthusiasm welcomed home with his lovely bride. Allen had a hard time in getting her, having to steal her the second time, but he now has her at home.

The East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad is now in excellent working order, freight increasing daily, and trains run on schedule time.

Rome, Georgia.

A TALLADEGA SUSPENSION.

Special to The Constitution.
ROME, April 5.—Moseley & Saul, merchants of Talladega, Ala., have suspended.

FOUR PERSONS POISONED.

Four members of John T. Adams's family, of Talladega, were poisoned on Tuesday by using oil in lubricating oil in cooking food, it being mistaken for cotton seed oil. Physicians were called in, and successfully treated the cases.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Rome railroad is making many improvements around its yard, among the number the erection of large coal chutes.

THE ICE FACTORIES.

Both ice factories have begun operation for the summer.

Athens, Georgia.

THE FRUIT NOT KILLED.

Special to The Constitution.
ATHENS, April 5.—The fruit is not all killed. W. D. Kelly, an Oconee man, has been elected on the police force.

A HORSE HOSPITAL.

Athens has a horse hospital under charge of an English veterinary surgeon. Cows are kept running on large on the streets.

In tearing down an inside wall of the Oconee courthouse, a bottle of brandy was found that had been placed there sixty years ago.

Cave Spring, Georgia.

ESTABLISHED BUSINESS.

Special to The Constitution.

CAVE SPRING, April 5.—The large business done by our most enterprising merchants, Trout & Hight, has necessitated the enlargement of their storehouse, which adds much to the appearance of the business part of our town.

Mrs. Park will soon move into her beautiful new home just about finished, on Main street, leading to the depot.

Mrs. W. P. Trout left yesterday on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Captain Bradley, of Macon. She will spend some time in your city on her return home.

SURPRISED BY A MARRIAGE.

Our village was surprised completely yesterday morning by the marriage of Miss Lucy, a beautiful and accomplished daughter of Major J. H. Dent, to Mr. Justus Collins of Alabama. They left for their home in Alabama on the 10:20 train of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad.

Dahlonega, Georgia.

CAPTAIN JOHN HUFF.

Special to The Constitution.
DAHLONEGA, April 5.—Captain John Huff, superintendent of the Barlow mills on Pig Creek, has just returned from a visit on business from New York. On his way home he examined the sulphure ore mills near Charlotte, N. C., and thinks the process a success in separating the gold from the sulphurated ores at these works. Captain Huff was born in this county and brought up in the gold mines, is some fifty years old, and accounted one of, if not the most reliable practical gold miners in the country.

Deputy Marshall Robinson captured two revenue violators, Barlow and Kirby, their stills, fixtures and materials in Dawson county, on the 31st, and had the men bound over. Barlow had been running his still for months in his cellar, under the kitchen part of his house.

Chattanooga, Tenn.

KILLED BY HIS WIFE.

Special to The Constitution.
CHATTANOOGA, April 5.—Toney Wiley, who was said to be wedded to a woman in this city, died this evening. The affair is still shrouded in mystery, but it is thought a warning for her arrest will be issued to-morrow.

COLONEL CAPERS ON THE FIELD.

Colonel Capers, representing the Southern historical society, organized a valuable branch in Chattanooga to-day. He is making partial surveys of the battle grounds at Chickamauga, Lookout mountain and Mission Ridge.

A COTTON SEED OIL MILL.

Arrangements were completed to-day for erecting a large cotton seed oil mill here. The corn market here dropped to forty-nine cents to-day. 12,000 bushels arrived in one bulk.

SURVEYING LINES.

Alexander Crawford, administrator of Cyrus Clark, whose estate covers several thousand acres of land on the Cumberland plateau, is surveying several short lines of railroads from the timbered sections of the Cincinnati Southern railway.

Columbus, Georgia.

SCOTT OF G. W. PFEIFFER.

Special to The Constitution.
COLUMBUS, April 5.—G. W. Pfeiffer came to a most tragic death by his own hand this morning about 8 o'clock. Pfeiffer was of German extraction and a tailor by trade. He came to this city some months since from Mobile, Ala., and was employed for a while by G. J. Peacock, at which time he became acquainted and enamored of Mrs. Gafford, relict of the late Geo. W. Gafford, of the firm of Bradford & Gafford, painters. An intimacy sprang up and

Pfeiffer and Mrs. Gafford were engaged to be married, but on account of his drinking she discarded him. He soon after left the city, but returned a day or two ago. He told several parties that if she didn't marry him he would end his life. He procured a pistol this morning, and repairing to the residence of the lady, knocked for admission, but the door was bolted against him. He then placed the pistol to the side of his head and fired, the ball penetrating the brain from behind the right ear. Pfeiffer has heretofore borne a good character among his profession, having been in Macon, Atlanta, Montgomery, and other places. He was a widower, and it is said he has children in Mobile or New Orleans. The coroner's inquest was held and the jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the above facts and the remains will be buried in the city cemetery.

MACON, April 5.—Nora Canning, the infant child of Hon. N. E. Harris, died this morning of measles. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

The exhibition of art china decorations is now progressing at the establishment of Irvine & Bro. Many fine specimens of ladies' work.

SOCIAL FEATURES.

The Harmonic society has a grand rehearsal to-night.

The Mason Atheneum meets to-morrow night at the residence of Ben C. Smith. The entertainment will be Milton, poet, statesman and man. The entertainment will also consist of reading, recitations and music.

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GRIMM, April 5.—Dolly Thomas cut Leola Mangham this morning seriously, if not fatally, with a razor, both colored. Leola was considerably gashed in the breast and stomach. Dolly Thomas is said to become very quiet at times, and heaps vengeance upon all whom she may come in contact with, while she hasn't been seen in good terms. Miss Dolly was taken in custody and awaits the trial of her "hashed victim's" wounds. Grimm is getting her name up.

THE REGIMENT IS FORMED.

Last from Carroll county: Old man, a veteran in the army, leaning on the fence rails passing train with success. Extent of what he said was only this: Been in the woods eighteen years, but hearing that Governor Boynton was in the field, only wanted to say to you that when you see my old friend and fellow comrade tell him that the "regiments" are for him first, last and always, and the train moved on while many cheers rent the air for the old soldier. Another fight reported.

Another scene of Rogers cutlery, interspersed here this p.m. in Bill George's barroom. The belligerents were Bob Foster, a colored moko, and Sandy Crawford another taffy colored individual. The extent of the injuries sustained by both were quite severe, but not necessarily serious. They were placed on docket for trial at the police court next Monday.

STUCK ON THE HEAD.

Two boys hunting this p.m., one let fly his weights, which struck Henry Eady, bystander, on his head and knocked him down. The injury is slight, but the blood flowed freely.

Savannah, Georgia.

A COMPLIMENT TO ANEHOUS.

Special to The Constitution.

SAVANNAH, April 5.—The Savannah Cadets will present Mr. M. F. Amerous, of Atlanta, with a silver cup in the shape of an episcopate silver pitcher and cup in recognition of the many courtesies shown that organization while on the visit to the city in attendance on the obsequies of the late lamented governor, Alexander H. Stephens. Mr. Amerous rendered it especially pleasant for the Savannah Cadets while in Atlanta, making this corps his special guests. He is a clever and polished gentleman and very popular in all Savannah, where he formerly resided and was member of the Cadets.

The steam fire engine for the town of Darien arrived here last evening at 7 o'clock, and was forwarded to its destination to-day by the steamer David Clark. The engine was built by the manufacturing company of Senechal Falls, New York, and of the latest improved pattern. It weighs 4,000 pounds. It is a perfect gem of workmanship, has a crane neck is nickel-plated throughout, has attached to it 1,000 feet of hose and two hose reels. Its capacity is twenty-five horse power, and it will run the next six miles.

It is said to be entirely feasible and cheap, and can be made to furnish in the city at least three hundred horse power for propelling machinery. This is one of the most important improvements ever proposed for the benefit of our county, the mines and the city. Push it along, gentlemen; we have no money, but we will furnish enough wind to sail a balloon if it will accomplish the ditch. We must have it on account of opening at least ten miles of the finest mining property in the state.

THE GOOBER-GRABBERS DENOUNCED.

From the Butler, Ga., Herald.

Any set of people who claim themselves to be young men, and who would visit a church on Sunday morning and then themselves on Sunday evening for the purpose of eating and drinking, are without a fault, except being in orthodox Methodist. She will quietly submit to being deluged to any sized shower, but most emphatically protests against going down into or coming out of the water, half mud hole or creek. The lady despises every prospecting for some to stand by her.

ACCIDENTS TO PERSONS.

J. Gibbons, at work on the City of Bridge-ton, near the boiler, became prostrated by the heat and for an hour was thought to be dying. He is recovering slowly. Dennis Kents, employed on the pile driver working at the upper deck, had his right hand caught beneath the hammer and horribly crushed.

EIGHTY-ONE LIQUOR DEALERS.

Eighty-one liquor dealers were registered under the new law to date.

THE SERVANT-CHILD PROBLEM IN THE SOUTH.

From the Augusta, Ga., Chronicle.

Said a noted housewife and housekeeper: "Oh, don't what she is to do about servants? I have an old boy in the house, and he is a good boy, but he is not a good servant. He is uncleanly, wasteful, pilfering, careless and story-telling. She robs me unmercifully, and she is a bad influence on the children. If I give her out the keys she helps herself. If I give her out the food she is too sharp for me. She makes her dough too soft and comes for the keys to get more flour to thicken it. Her tricks are endless. Talk about a servant girl problem in the Dixie, and I tell you it is a bad one."

A NEW JAIL.

A committee of the county and city authorities are now at work upon the matter of building a new jail.

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A MUSICAL STRUCK MEN.

From the Athens, Ga., Banner.

An old lady told me the other day that she had an old hen that was music struck. The other day the hen began singing as she was to roost and sang all night long and then cackled all the next day. The day after she began to lay and has been laying faithfully ever since. There is a good lesson here for the human family, and that is to go to business with a cheerful heart.

Bible Reader.

From the Athens, Ga., Banner.

There is living in this county an old lady who has read through the Bible at least fifty times. She once read it through two hours each day for twenty-one days. An old unbeliever, she began to read through curiously, but had not finished reading it for the third time before she became a firm convert to its truths and doctrines.

MUSICAL STRUCK MEN.

From the Athens, Ga., Banner.

We learned the following sad intelligence of a supposed accident that happened on the banks of the Chattooga river, from Mr. Richard Selman yesterday. They are as follows: On last Monday morning a Mr. Bowman and his half brother, accompanied by another

young man, went fishing in the above named stream. At about 11 o'clock they were startled by the report of a pistol, and hurrying to the place from whence the sound came, saw Mr. Bowman lying on the ground, with a bullet hole in his head, the ball stopping just under the skin after going through his head. He remained unconscious until ten o'clock that night, when he died. Immediately after the shooting his mother was sent for, and when she arrived on the spot and saw the pistol lying on the ground beside her son, she picked it up and threw it in the river. No one knows the reason for this strange conduct. It is not known how many times the pistol was discharged, but it is presumed only once, as only one report was heard. It was shrouded in mystery and it is not known whether it was an accident or suicide.

Model Farm in Schley.

From the Atlanta, Ga., Recorder.

THE SUPREME COURT.

DECISIONS RENDERED TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1888.

James Jackson, Chief Justice; Martin J. Crawford and Samuel Hall, Associate Justices—Reported for the Constitution by J. H. Lumpkin, Supreme Court Reporter.

Knox vs. McCall's Bros. Money rule, from Rockdale. Practice in Supreme Court. Parties.

Hall, J.—Where there were three parties claiming a fund in the hands of a sheriff under a money rule, and upon its being awarded to two of them, the third excepted half of the contestants being interested in sustaining the award, were necessary parties to the trial of exceptions; and one only having been served therewith, the writ of error must be dismissed. This case is controlled by the case of Craig et al. vs. Webb, sheriff, et al. (Present term.) Writ of error dismissed.

George W. Gleaton, for plaintiff in error. A. C. McCalla, for defendant.

Smith, vs. Hornsby et al. Complaint, from Campbell. Amendment. Practice in Supreme Court. Equity. Res adjudicata. Judgment.

Hall, J.—A defendant in a bill in equity has the right to withdraw his demurra therefrom before a trial, having made a valid and intelligent judgment thereon. An interlocutory or declaration that he would overrule the demurra, would not deprive the right of withdrawal. This right is included in the privilege of amending pleadings at any stage of the cause in matters of form or substance, which is conferred by law. Code, §3447, and cit., 3479, 417.

2. Where, in an equity case, both a plea and answer is filed, it is the duty of the court to dispose of the plea before proceeding with the trial on the answer. Code, §319.

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INDICATIONS for the South Atlantic states to-day, partly cloudy weather and rain, south to westerly winds, lower barometer, stationary or slight rise in temperature.

The serious illness of ex-Governor Jenkins will cause great concern throughout the state, for no man holds a firmer hold upon the popular affections than the brave governor who died of military obstruction. He is now in his seventy-eighth year.

WHEN Watkinsville was the county site of Clarke county years ago a bottle of brandy was laid away in an inside wall of the court house. Sixty years have made it necessary to tear down the old building, but it finds the brandy all the better on account of its age. The county officials of Oconee now have cause to smock their lips.

The British detective was quite busy yesterday. A dynamite factory was brought to light, several suspicious characters were arrested, and altogether it was a field day which the followers of O'Donovan Rossa had the worst of it. Number One is still at large.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL GRESHAM owes his elevation to the cabinet to the power of Grant. He was wounded in the siege of Atlanta, won the good will of Grant later, was appointed by him a district judge and is one of the faithful few who wears the 300 dollar of 1880.

In the first quarter of this year there were 103 failures in Georgia and Florida, but the entire liabilities of this number were only \$765,245, or about as much as one firm fails for in New York or Chicago. The actual assets of the Georgia failures were \$397,607, or about 55 per cent of the liabilities.

ANOTHER evidence of the universal kindness of Governor Stephens and the tenderness of his heart is found in the suggestion of Dr. Calhoun's visit to the blind asylum. That there are fifteen children out of the eighty who are there, living in perfect blindness who can be restored by a simple operation to sight, more or less complete, will surprise the public. Dr. Calhoun generously offered to do the operating on these children without fee. They should not be a day's delay, on account of expense, in putting them in his hands.

THE POLICY OF DETRACTION.

The democratic convention which assembles in Atlanta next Tuesday will demonstrate for the third time that no man can be made governor of Georgia who permits his friends to pursue the foolish policy of attempting to drag down other candidates who may seem to stand in the way. This fact was demonstrated in the last Colquitt campaign—in the campaign which culminated in the election of Mr. Stephens—and it will be emphasized in the campaign which will be practically brought to a close by the convention which meets Tuesday.

The policy of abuse and detraction is an absurd and a foolish policy. It has been successful upon occasion, but that was before the days of widely circulated newspapers and telegraph. Thanks to these influences, the truth to-day is as nimble as there is any need for. It can go as fast and as far as a lie, and it has the advantage of instant recognition wherever it makes its appearance.

The time has long gone by when the people of Georgia can be moved by any attempt to destroy the usefulness of a public man who is known to have the confidence and esteem of his neighbors—those who are intimately acquainted with his career. Unwarred attacks upon such a man are in one sense attacks upon every Georgian, for they conspire to make the business of serving the state a thankless and an unenviable task. The people are not politicians, but they are thoroughly acquainted with the means which politicians employ to carry out their ends. The people not only know their own desires, but they know the desires of the politicians, and it is generally a cold day for the politicians when there is any conflict of desire.

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Except in the Rhode Island rotten borough, where the factory boss is omnipotent, where, too, the right of voting is regulated by wealth or tax disbursements of the citizen—in every other part of the country where elections have been held this spring, there are comfort and inspiration for the democracy. The democratic flood of last fall has not receded, as the republicans predicted it would. The recent elections do in fact show that it is a staying, if not a rising, tide.

The result in Michigan is a genuine surprise. This state has been considered as surely republican as Vermont and Iowa, so sure that the spring elections for two judges

of the supreme court and regents of the university had not been contested since Fremont was a republican candidate for president. But last Monday the democrats and greenbacks met the enemy, and according to the latest returns, they succeeded in defeating Austin Blair, the old war governor of the state, who was the republican candidate for one of the supreme court judgeships. The other nominees of the republicans ran ahead of his ticket and may squeak in. Practically it was a republican defeat. Following the Waterloo last fall and the bitter senatorial defeat of last winter this result is very significant, and leading republican papers do not hesitate to say that Michigan should hereafter be classed among the doubtful states. In 1880 Garfield had a majority of 18,762 over the both democratic and greenback tickets.

In Ohio elections were held on Tuesday in all the principal towns of the state, and the returns show almost without exception democratic victories or large gains. Returns from about thirty cities are at hand. Ohio elects a governor next fall, and it is everywhere felt that the result of the October election will have a strong bearing on the great contest of '84. The recent municipal elections have disheartened the republicans, and they begin to cry out to Mr. John Sherman to take charge of what is now a forlorn hope. Mr. Sherman would no doubt be a formidable candidate, but he has a very good-sized crop of enemies at home who would be glad of an opportunity to secretly slaughter him. The republicans of Ohio are if possible more disheartened and at sea than the republicans of Michigan.

On top of these disasters to the administration party comes the overwhelming victory of the democrats in Chicago. If the vote of last Tuesday can be maintained, it will suffice to change the nature of the vote of Illinois. We can, however, do without Illinois. To carry Illinois, in addition to Ohio, would, in fact, give the democracy a walk-over, and such a condition of politics is not probable or desirable.

The Cincinnati News, in discussing the Ohio victory, says: "It means democracy. It means a trial for democracy, that it may have full chance to show what it can do. It does not mean that it can violate its solemn pledges, or go back upon its platform containing years of promises made when it was climbing to this position. It does mean that it is a quarter of a century's power, if it is not prudent, and if it but command itself to the best judgment of the American people."

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In exact figures the debt has been reduced in the nine months of the present fiscal year \$118,272. This is at the rate of something over \$12,000,000 a month, and if such a rate could be maintained until July 1 the reduction of the year would be about \$150,000,000.

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THE CRIMINALS.

The trial of the star route thieves grows more interesting to the people the longer it lasts, and it threatens to last at least through administration and a half. It also grows more interesting, we may well believe, to Bliss, who is supposed to be conducting the prosecution under the auspices of the government. Bliss is getting a salary of one hundred dollars a day, and the other government counsel almost as much. In view of these things, and in view, also, of the fact that the administration feels deeply and recognizes fully its obligations to the unscrupulous tactics of Dorsey and Brady, it is difficult to believe that the delays and dallyings have not been artistically arranged to suit the loath which the lawyers are extracting from the treasury and at the same time weaken the government cause.

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In the absence of argument, it has come to be the habit of a small faction in Georgia to endeavor to arouse the prejudices of the people against those who may chance to stand in the way of the personal preferences of the few. Then follows a campaign of abuse, detraction, insinuation and innuendo. In Georgia, such a campaign is, and always will be, a failure. Under these circumstances, it would seem that those who are really anxious to subserve the interests of a candidate would allow him to go before a convention of the people solely on his own merits, and not at the heels of a wild and fruitless attempt to injure the character of some other candidate. Howbeit, next Tuesday another epithet will be written, "Slaughtered by his friends."

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Except in the Rhode Island rotten borough, where the factory boss is omnipotent, where, too, the right of voting is regulated by wealth or tax disbursements of the citizen—in every other part of the country where elections have been held this spring, there are comfort and inspiration for the democracy. The democratic flood of last fall has not receded, as the republicans predicted it would. The recent elections do in fact show that it is a staying, if not a rising, tide.

The result in Michigan is a genuine surprise. This state has been considered as surely republican as Vermont and Iowa, so sure that the spring elections for two judges

of the supreme court and regents of the university had not been contested since Fremont was a republican candidate for president.

But last Monday the democrats and greenbacks met the enemy, and according to the latest returns, they succeeded in defeating Austin Blair, the old war governor of the state, who was the republican candidate for one of the supreme court judgeships. The other nominees of the republicans ran ahead of his ticket and may squeak in. Practically it was a republican defeat. Following the Waterloo last fall and the bitter senatorial defeat of last winter this result is very significant, and leading republican papers do not hesitate to say that Michigan should hereafter be classed among the doubtful states. In 1880 Garfield had a majority of 18,762 over the both democratic and greenback tickets.

AS ILLUSTRATING the artistic tendency in Cincinnati, it is stated that a sexton fell through Murillo's painting "St. Peter in Chains" in order to test its genuineness. As there is now a hole in the canvas, it is believed that Cincinnati experts are beginning to doubt whether it is from Murillo's brush.

WILKIE COLLINS is fond of Scott, Cooper and Beede, but not of George Eliot, and he cares little for the new American "analytic" novelist. He says that Longfellow perhaps was the greatest writer of his age, and that William Black and Bret Harte might do much better than they are doing.

EDWARD HANLON, the famous Canadian

oarsman, says he only learned to swim last summer. He can now swim only a little, the muscles of his arms quickly becoming tired—a singular confession, he admits, for a sculler to make.

His wife wants him to retire from the sculling profession, and he says he will soon follow her advice.

THE czarina's coronation mantle will be a marvel of heraldic embroidery. The ground will

be of solid cloth of gold, from which the Russian

black eagle will stand out in relief, bearing on its chest the arms of Moscow, while the arms of the provinces of Kazan, Siberia, Poland, Astrakhan,

Georgia and Finland, and of the grand duchies of Lithuania and Novgorod, will be embroidered on the wings.

NORDENSKIOLD is about ready to sail away

to the north again. He expects to leave Gothenburg, Switzerland, in May. The main object is to

see what colonists planted in Greenland in the tenth century. Another is to survey the east coast of Greenland, from a point opposite the southern part of Iceland to Cape Bismarck, the extreme north of Europe on the east side. The nation of Nordenkiold is Oscar Diesson, a lumber merchant of Gothenburg. Mr. Dickson is

to be worth \$13,000,000.

IT is rumored now in court circles in Eng-

land that Queen Victoria is taking thought be-

fore the future establishment of her grand

son, the eldest son of the prince and princess of Wales, now a lad of nineteen. The young lady selected to become the wife of the prince is

the daughter of the queen of Spain and niece of the

former ex-empress Charlotte, of Mexico.

As the prince is only thirteen years old, the marriage, if determined upon, is not likely to come off for two or three years to come.

THE queen held her second drawing room

Tuesday, March 13th. It was less full attended

than the first, but more brilliant.

Among the number was Mrs. James Russell Lowell, health having hindered the necessary ceremonial hitherto. The queen had very graciously communicated to Mr. Lowell her readiness to waive the ceremony and receive Mr. Lowell's present. Her dress is described as a white dress with a "scarf" looped with bouquets of shaded dahlias, bodice and train of a rich shade of tulle covered with gold.

The train of the other court dresses

are very much the same as of yore. The Queen's were of portentous size, some of them being

fully three-quarters of a yard across. The Queen retired before the end, although the ceremony was not completed, and was absent from the

ceremony more than two hours.

The charming princess of Wales, who took the throne of the queen, wore a beautiful dress of pale blue satin, trimmed with flounces of the finest Brussels lace.

SOUTHERN INTELLIGENCE.

A JUTE company has been organized in Lou-

isiana.

SMALLFOX seems to be spreading all over

Kentucky.

THERE are six thousand visitors at Hot

Springs, Ark.

THERE were six suicides in Fort Worth, Texas, last week.

CATTLE and land companies are daily or-

ganized in Texas.

LEXINGTON, Ky.'s, wealthiest citizen is as-

signed at \$125,000.

SHAD are being caught quite plentifully in

the Alabama river.

THERE are 60,000 orange trees at Bay St.

Louis, Mississippi.

COTTON planting has commenced in some

sections of Louisiana.

SR. CHARLES parish, Louisiana, has a steam

mill in and around Chewah, Alabama.

LARGE quantities of East Tennessee marble

is being shipped to Boston.

WINCHESTER, Ky., is doing a big business

shipping walnut logs to Europe.

THE Avery salt mine, in Louisiana, is turn-

ing out 1,200 sacks of salt per day.

FEUFS have been much injured by cold

weather in many sections of Alabama.

THERE will soon be three cotton seed oil

ills in and around Chewah, Alabama.

MORE cotton will be planted in some of the

Louisiana parishes than any year since the war.

THE estimate is that twenty thousand people

have visited St. Augustine, Florida, this season.

ALABAMA coal mines are being worked to

their utmost capacity. The demand for the coal is

excessive.

THE Alabama legislature has defined a busi-

ness of cotton seed to be thirty-two pounds

avordupois.

THE \$8,000 bird shooting tournament at Mont-

gomery promises to be the most successful event

held in the state.

MRS. NATHAN DORTON, of Russell county,

gave birth recently to triplets—all girls, weighing

four pounds each.

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THE RAILROADS.

CROSS-TIE GOSSIP IN AND OUT OF ATLANTA RAILROAD CIRCLES.

Southern Passenger Agents—A Railroad Conference. Western Rites to Augusta—The Georgia Pacific. A Missouri Bill—A Famous Railroad—Cast—General Gordon's Project.

YUCATAN is to have two railroads in running order next month.

LAST week 7,700 tons of freight were shipped east from Chicago—the largest amount ever shipped.

A SET of paper wheels under a truck of an engine of the Central Vermont railroad have been in use twelve years and they are still apparently sound.

H. W. GWINN, formerly general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania railroad, and now president of the National Railway Publication society, has declined the place of Commissioner Fink. The salary thus refused is \$8,000 a year.

DURING the month of March the Charlotte and Savannah rail路ay did the largest passenger business ever known in any month since the road was established. The total number of local and through passengers during the month was 17,000, making a daily average of 550. The number of through passengers is 4,000, making a daily average of 133. The largest number of such passengers transported on any one day was 223 on March 27, and the next largest number 203 on March 30.

The Mobile and Alabama Grand Trunk road will be sold in Mobile, Ala., May 7, under a decree of the court of chancery. No bid for less than \$50,000 will be received. The terms of sale are to be paid in cash and the balance in thirty years, either in cash or in bonds and coupons at their present value. The road is completed from Mobile to Bigbee Bridge, 364 miles, with a connection one mile long with the Atlantic and Western. It has not been operated for several years. The funded debt consists of \$1,124,000 first mortgage bonds, with about eight years unpaid interest.

A Railroad Conference.

Special to The Constitution.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., April 5.—J. T. Harrah, of the New Orleans and Mobile division; M. S. Belknap of the Mobile and Montgomery division; E. O. Salmash of the Pensacola division; E. Marsh, of the South and North division, will meet at the headquarters of the L. & N. R. R., at Louisville this week on important business of their respective divisions.

The Prosperous Pennsylvania.

COLUMBIA, April 5.—The car movement over the Pennsylvania railroad for the month of March last, at this point, exceeds that of any other month since the road was built by 247 cars. The number of cars used in the month amounts to the enormous number of 86,374 cars, 8,464 more than March of 1882. On Saturday last every stall in the roundhouse contained an engine, with twenty-four more standing on sidings in the west yard. The heavy freight still continues.

Western Rates to Augusta.

ATLANTA, April 5.—Hon. Patrick Walsh has been elected director of the Port Royal railroad. No. 111 the vacancy caused by the resignation of General P. Alexander. The new director will be allowed to remain in office to improve or to extend his services to the road, and will be entitled to a full salary. The other members of the board are E. O. Salmash, of the Pensacola division; E. Marsh, of the South and North division, will meet at the headquarters of the L. & N. R. R., at Louisville this week on important business of their respective divisions.

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6s. 78... 115 116 A. & G. 108 110

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By Telegrams.

NEW YORK, April 5.—Speculation stock exchange has been active, irregular, but in the main strong. The market opened firm and 1/2 to 1 per cent higher than it closed yesterday. During the greater part of the morning the market was active and strong and recorded an advance of 1/2 to 1 1/2 per cent, in which Central Pacific and the Vanderbilts were the leading features. Then there was a reaction of 1/2 per cent in Northwest and 1/2 to 1 1/2 per cent in the list after which the market again became strong, and at two o'clock sold up 1/2 to 1 per cent, the latter in Lake Shore, while Houston and Texas advanced to 82% from 79 at the opening. In the late trade the list receded 1/2 to 1 per cent, which was recovered in the final dealing, while Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis advanced to 76 from 74 1/2, Richmond and Danville 56 from 54 1/2, and Richmond and West Point 25% from 24 1/2. The market closed strong at an advance on the day's transactions of 1/2 to 1 1/2, the latter in Central Pacific and Lake Shore. Transactions aggregated 297,000 shares.

Evening—Exchanges 43. Governments firm; new 56 1/2 bid; 45 1/2 to 119 1/2; 32 1/2 to 50%: Money 88 2; 88 1/2 to 98 1/2; Treasury balances: 126 1/2 to 128 1/2; currency 56 1/2 to 60.

At. Class A 2 to 5... 182 Manhattan Elec... 40 1/2

Ala. Class B 5... 100 Metropolitan Elec... 80 1/2

Georgia 5 to 10... 100 Mich. & Ohio Elec... 70 1/2

Georgia 7 to 10... 100 N. C. & S. L. 70 1/2

Georgia do gold... 118 New Jersey Central 78 1/2

North & South Central 120 N. O. & Pac. 100

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COTTON AND WEATHER.
Corron—Middling uplands closed in Liverpool yesterday at 5:45; in New York at 10; in Atlanta at 9:30.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.
OBSERVER'S OFFICE, Signal Corps U. S. A.
U. S. CUSTOM HOUSE, April 5, 2:31 P.M.
All observations taken at the same moment
time at each place named.

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Atlanta	30.05 68	63	S. E.	Fresh	.00	Clear.
Augusta	30.06 66	60	S. E.	Fresh	.00	Fair.
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